(i) was the ozhuku conducted to verify the petitioner's assertion that the plot was registered in his predecessor's name ;

(i) what is the ozhuku number of the plot in question?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—(a) Yes.

(b) A copy of the petition is appended. (*Appendix I.*)

(c) The petitioner's requests were refused.

(d) The tree has begun to bear only in the current year (1109) and so the question does not arise.

(e) No answer is called for in view of the answer to (d).

(f) Do.

(g) Do.

(h) Sirkar. It was registered as Pandaravaka Thanathu.

(i) Yes.

(j) The plotformed part of ozhuku No. 1955.

Income derived from the elephants under the Forest Department.

29. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state .—

(1) the number of elephants under the Forest Department;

(2) the income derived from each and the expenses incurred for each in 1109 ?

Mr. T. Narayana Menon.—(1) 10 elephants in the beginning of 1109, one of which died on 18th Medam 1109.

(2) A statement showing the information is appended. (*Appendix II.*)

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—It is seen from the appendix that the elephants do not earn even so much as their expenditure.

Mr. T. Narayana Menon.—It will be very difficult for an elephant to meet its maintenance charges by its own earnings and especially many of these elephants are small ones.

Mr. A. Sankara Poduval.—How did this cow-elephant die? Is it by overwork?

Mr. T. Narayana Menon.—No. Even at the time of its capture it was ailing. It didn't work at all.

Mr. Joseph Pettah.—Is it not therefore a waste for the Government to maintain these elephants?

Mr. T. Narayana Menon. - The question cannot be considered in that light These figures do not reveal the financial results of the operations of the normal year. In normal conditions I do not think there will be any financial loss for the State. We have not been able to sell some of these elephants this year.

Mr. Joseph Pettah.—Can you not effect a sale if you offer them at lower prices?

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Mr. T. Narayana Menon.—There were offers but we could not effect the sale because of the low prices. We are waiting for the markets to improve.

Anandapuram-Muriyad road.

30. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state how far the Anandapuram-Muriyad road has progressed ?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—Part provision has been made for the work in the budget for 1110. The survey for the road work has been ordered.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Has they begun the survey ?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—Yes.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—On a point of information, may I know, Sir, under which provision of the Council rules and Standing Orders that this has been arranged?

President—Under S. O. No. 71. I would once more suggest to the House to discuss the report on general terms and that each Member would only take ten minutes' time to offer his remarks.

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